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(From Friday evening, April 11th, until Saturday night, April 19th)

Sale of Chometz until Friday, April 11th, 10.30 a.m. at the Rabbi's office in the Talmud Torah, or at his home.

B'dikath Chometz (search for Chometz) Thursday evening, April 10th.

Sium B'chorim (for first-born males) Friday, April 11th, 7.30 a.m. The Rabbi will conclude the tractate Menachoth at Adath Jeshurun Synagogue, King Edward Ave.

Conclude eating Chometz by Friday, April 11th, 9.30 a.m.

Biur Chometz (burning of Chometz) Friday, April 11th, 10.30 a.m.

Shabbos and Yom Tov candles, Friday, April 11th, 7.25 p.m.

Minchah and Maariv, Friday, April 11th, 7.30 p.m. and 7.45 p.m. respectively.

Maariv, Saturday, April 12th, 8.00 p.m., including counting first day of Omer.
(Candles 8.05 p.m. or later.) ..

Yom Tov candles, Thursday, April 17th, 7.32 p.m.

Minchah and Maariv, Thursday, April 17th, 7.30 and 8.00 p.m. respectively.

Shabbos and Yom Tov candles Friday, April 18th, 7.33 p.m.

Maariv, Friday, April 18th, 8.00 p.m.

Yizkor (memorial services) Saturday, April 19th, 10.30 a.m.

(Notice: The time shown in this schedule is Eastern Daylight Time.)

Congregation Adath Jeshurun

PASSOVER BULLETIN

FRIDAY, NISAN 14th, 5701 — APRIL 11th, 1941

SPECIAL SERVICES FOR "FIRST BORN MALE".....7.30. a.m.

SERVICES

Passover Eve, Friday, April 11th, 1941

Mincha, 7.15 p.m.

Maariv, 7.30 p.m.

Passover I and II, Saturday and Sunday Mornings, April 15th and 16th,
Services at 8.30 a.m.

On Passover II (Sunday) the pulpit will be occupied by Rabbi Oscar Fasman

Title of Sermon—"WHAT COUNTS IN LIFE"

Sermon will begin at 10.30 a.m.

SECOND DAYS PASSOVER

Thursday Eve, 20th Nisan, 5701

April 17th, 1941

Mincha 7.30 p.m.—to be followed by Maariv

Passover VII and VIII, Friday and Saturday Mornings April 18th and 19th
Services at 8.30 a.m.

MEMORIAL SERVICES "YIZKOR" will be read during the morning services of the
Eighth Day of Passover, at 10.45 o'clock on Saturday, April 19th, 1941

Cantor J. Rabin, with Choir, will officiate at Services

The Officers Extend an Invitation to Members, their Wives and Families to Attend
Passover Services

A HAPPY AND JOYOUS PASSOVER IS THE WISH EXTENDED TO ALL
MEMBERS AND K'LAL YISROEL

Cong. Agudath Achim, Rideau Street

Shachrith services on the first two and the last two days of Passover will begin 8.30 a.m. Our cantor, Rev. Aaron Weiss, will officiate at all the Maariv, Shachrith, and Musaf services. On Saturday, April 19th, the last day of Yom Tov, Rabbi O. Z. Fasman will occupy the pulpit before Yizkor, and he will speak on the topic, "How Final Is Death?"

We extend to our members and their families best wishes for a joyous Passover. May the festival bring liberty unto the people of Israel and unto all men!

Cong. Machzikei Hadath, Murray Street

We consider ourselves fortunate in having Rabbi Fasman with us on the first day of Passover, when he will deliver a sermon on the topic, "Let Us Listen to the Tale."

Services will begin each morning of the first and last two days of Yom Tov at 8.30 a.m. Rev. A. Baker will officiate, assisted by Mr. Weiss.

Cong. Bnai Jacob, James St.

The Congregation Bnai Jacob, James Street, takes pleasure in advising the members of our community that services will be conducted in our synagogue throughout the Passover holidays. The Shachrith services will begin at 9 a.m., and Rev. S. Schreiber will officiate as cantor.

On Friday, April 18th, the seventh day of Passover, Rabbi Oscar Z. Fasman will be with us, and he will deliver a sermon on the topic, "The Spirit of Jewish Song."

Cong. Agudath Israel Fairmont Ave.

Our congregation is pleased to announce that services will be held throughout the Passover holidays, and that the first and last two days Shachrith services will commence at 8 a.m. Mr. H. Glustein will be cantor for all the services.

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THE FREEDOM OF TOMORROW

It is doubtful whether Herr Hitler realizes that his promise of a New Order would give us, by replacing the English word with its Hebrew equivalent, a New Seder. The fact is that we Jews would be delighted to add such a ceremony to our ritual, and we would celebrate it with enthusiasm and zest to mark the occasion of his downfall.

While it is true that Passover represents our joy in attaining national freedom, it also signifies our general happiness over the destruction of tyranny and despotism. Apart from the gain that came to us as a people, the events in Egypt marked the will of the Creator to humble those who become drunk with power. In a day when it was inconceivable that a Pharaoh might have his absolution contested, and when it was certainly unfathomable that the challenge would be issued by an enslaved people, his all-powerful throne was rudely shaken. Perhaps no miracle reported in the book of Exodus ultimately appeared so completely startling as that which witnessed the discomfiture of one whose strength was supposedly impregnable.

It may take one or a few years until the world will again see the viciousness of dictatorship wiped out, but after this consummation devoutly to be wished will be established, the force of the freedom-ideal will make itself felt in a society where equality in fact, as well as in theory, will create the instruments of its own opportunity. The gap between theory and fact in the realm of this ideal has never escaped the vision of clear thinkers in the lands of democracy. Unfortunately, however, the foundations of the social structure had settled for so many years that practical-minded students feared to disturb them. Today with the collapse of many stone walls there have also collapsed many of custom's hoary pyramids, and we are in position to rebuild according to the blueprint of liberty.

At least we have learned one lesson well by this time. Either the masses will be encouraged to utilize their privileges as citizens in such a manner as to win for themselves economic and social security, or the seeds of a future one-man rule are again planted. Had the democratic countries of the world been completely

unselfish in letting liberty for themselves and for others benefit all peoples, they would have been spared the price they are now paying to protect it from extinction. Even the gloomiest pessimist about human nature cannot believe that the errors of the first post-war epoch will be repeated. The "knaidlech" of the New Seder will be generously distributed, and, as we learn from our Hagadah, the emphasis will have to be placed upon what we tell our children.

In planning the education of our young we enjoy a decided advantage over what the communist experiment attempted in its educational scheme. For Russia had to begin, if it would succeed in putting over its philosophy, by the unnatural procedure of instructing its future citizens to hate their parents and all that their parents held as sacred. Our task will be to encourage our children to carry into actuality the aims of civilization to which we have verbally, in platform oration and printed page, always accorded the highest honour. Our boys and girls will frankly be told that, while we are convinced of the value, the wholesomeness and the sanctity of our principles, we failed in great part to invent the agencies through which to implement them, and we therefore entrust to their young mentality, unburdened with the harsh mistakes of our habitual indifference, the glorious task of making real the dreams to which we cling.

To succeed in making tomorrow what today should have been, we must especially widen the content of instruction in our religious classes. Although we refer to our age as conspicuously irreligious, it is nevertheless true that we still turn towards the ideals of religion whenever we wish to portray the ideals of a better humanity. Yet too many of those upon whom the responsibility rests to give spiritual training to our young become lost in the details of the ceremonial law and remain without the time or the art to distil for their pupils the vast principles there represented. It does not take special genius, but it does require careful planning in advance, to use the classroom as a laboratory in which precise balance is kept between information and inspiration, so that those who are taught will not leave with too thin a diet on the one hand, or too heavy on the other.

Let us, therefore, mark the overthrow of an ancient tyrant, and the prayer for the extirpation of his aping contemporary, by the observance of a ritual whose principles have been accurately analysed and discussed, so that, "when thy son will ask thee tomorrow", our answer will be refulgent with the glories of the New Seder's liberty.

New Beginner's Class in Talmud Torah

The principal of the Ottawa Talmud Torah, Mr. I. Lief, has announced that a new class for beginners will be opened on Sunday, April 20th at 11.00 a.m. Parents who have boys or girls six years old and upwards are urged to enroll their children immediately, so that adequate provision may be made for those who will enter the Talmud Torah.

He also stresses the fact that children who have had a certain amount of Hebrew education are welcome at this time to enter the classes in which they will be most at home.

The members of our community will be interested to hear that when Rabbi Nahum Schulman was in the city, he visited our Talmud Torah; and from his years of experience with Jewish education in both Windsor and Detroit he reported to Rabbi Fasman that the Ottawa Talmud Torah shows exceptionally high standards in its educational program.

Ottawa Jewry Observes National Day of Prayer

On Sunday, March 23rd the members of our community, men, women and children, gathered in an impressive hour at the Congregation Agudath Achim to hold services on the National Day of Prayer, in accordance with the proclamation of His Majesty the King. Of especial interest to all who came was the splendid group of Jewish boys in the active forces who attended.

The Hebrew prayers were read by the Cantors of all the synagogues, while Psalm XXI and the prayer for The King were read by Rabbi O. Z. Fasman, who also delivered the principle address on the topic: "Freedom—Our Dearest Possession." In his sermon the Rabbi said, "We are determined to let no sacrifice however great, no suffering however bitter block us from fighting through in behalf of liberty. Upon its brow we have bestowed the crown of maximum value, and to it all other values must bow. Our sons will be either free or lost. They will not be slaves; and we firmly believe that they will not be lost; that they will be free; that their freedom will be yet deeper and richer than any the world has known, for it will have been purchased at a higher price than any the world has ever paid."

Time for Shabbos Candles

April 11th, 7.25 p.m.
April 18th, 7.33 p.m.
April 25th, 7.42 p.m.
May 2nd, 7.51 p.m.
May 9th, 7.59 p.m.

Ottawan Conducts Services At Petawawa

On Sunday, March 23, Mr. H. Roodman travelled to Petawawa to conduct services for the Jewish men who are stationed there. More than fifty participated in the services, and the men expressed their great appreciation for the visit, as well as their hope that a method could be worked out by which services would be conducted there every Sunday morning.

If you wish to contribute to the Joint Distribution Committee for the relief of suffering European Jewry, or to pay a pledge you have already made towards this cause, kindly mail your cheque to Mr. L. Harry Goldman, 302 Wilbrod St.; or telephone Mr. M. Loeb, 3-8438 and he will arrange to have somebody call at your home or place of business.

Since the daylight savings arrangement causes the Minchah and Maariv services in your synagogue to be held after business hours, why not take off a few minutes during the week to attend these services at your synagogue?

Vol. I No. 2 of the Ottawa Hebrew Sunday School Bulletin, in co-operation with the Hanoar Study and Breakfast Club Bulletin, appeared on Sunday, March 30th, to the great satisfaction of the members in both groups.

If you know of any Ottawa Jewish boys serving with the Canadian forces overseas who are not receiving a comfort parcel from our Bnai Brith War Services Committee, please telephone the necessary information to Mag. A. Lief.

About Interned Refugees

The Central Committee for Interned Refugees in Montreal is providing this Passover for the holiday needs of the Jewish refugees that are in internment camps of Canada. The Committee is also proceeding, in conjunction with Canadian and American authorities, to work out a plan by which those who have the necessary papers will be assisted in entering the United States.

The Sisterhood of the Congregation Adath Jeshurun and the United Brethren Ladies Auxiliary have recently contributed towards the canteen fund that provides these victims of war circumstances with books, cigarettes and certain items for religious purposes.

BLOOD DONORS NEEDED!

The Bnai Brith War Services Committee, in seeking to cooperate with the Red Cross, asks that anybody ready to volunteer blood that is necessary to help the wounded in England should kindly get in touch with Brothers Dr. Paul Telner or Dr. Nathan Schechter. It is hoped that there will be a considerable number of Jewish people in Ottawa who will be glad to serve the cause of democracy in this vital matter. The Red Cross specifies that donors are to be in good health, between 21 and 60 years of age.

Announcement by Jewish Bakers.

Please do not come to our shop for bread on Saturday night, April 19th, as we have assured the Rabbi we will not violate the laws of Passover, and we will therefore not begin to bake until late Saturday night.

Ottawa Bread Co. (A. Bodnoff);

Dominion Bakery (M. Mosion)

Rideau Bakeries (D. Kardash)

ORCHIDS TO US

The following letter from the War Savings Committee of Ottawa speaks for itself.

Rabbi O. Z. Fasman,
353 Stewart Street,
Ottawa, Ontario.

Dear Sir:

We cannot let the occasion pass without writing and thanking you and through you, the members of your Congregation who devoted their time so well to the task allotted to them in the War Savings Certificate Campaign.

We feel that it is due to their untiring efforts that the Campaign was such a wonderful success.

It certainly was a great pleasure to work with such a fine body of men and women of which the City of Ottawa may be justly proud.

On behalf of the War Savings Certificate Committee.

Yours truly,

"J. E. S. Lewis"
Chairman

H. S. Binks,
Campaign Organizer



C. CAPLAN

C. Caplan Honoured

The Cong. Adath Jeshurun held one of the largest meetings in its history on Sunday, April 6, when the members came to my tribute to Mr. C. Caplan on the occasion of his seventieth birthday. Mr. L. S. Greenberg, the president of the synagogue, who was in the chair, spoke of the distinguished record Mr. Caplan made from the time that he participated in founding the congregation almost half a century ago until the present.

Mr. A. J. Freiman, honorary president, was then called upon to make the presentation of an appropriately inscribed gold-headed cane. As one past president to another, Mr. Freiman saluted the sincerity and the devoted labour of Mr. Caplan's career.

Praise flowed freely in the brief comments of other co-workers, and the guest of honour concluded the speeches by a few reminiscences and a touching expression of gratitude. The members thereupon partook of a generous "Lechayim" treat furnished by Messrs. Sam and Gordon Caplan.

The Morning Minyan Club, that has influenced more than thirty pupils of the Talmud Torah to pray every morning, held its Goral on Sunday, April 6. Gerald Sherman won a military wrist-watch (on the day after his Bar Mitzvah) while valuable games went to Seymour Eisenberg and Joel Cohen.

Hadassah War Work Rooms

On October 9th, 1939, just one month after War was declared, the Ottawa Hadassah Council opened its War Work rooms in the Kresge Building, Rideau Street. These rooms were operated, in close co-operation with the Red Cross Society of Ottawa, and for seven months large quantities of finished articles of sewing and knitting were sent to Red Cross. All materials and wool were supplied by Red Cross. We specialized in hospital supplies of all kinds, consisting of pneumonia jackets, pyjamas, hospital gowns, surgical gowns and caps, bathrobes, etc.—in fact all supplies for hospital use. The knitting consisted of supplies for soldiers, seamen and air-force men, such as socks, sweaters, helmets, scarfs, mitts, etc.

On May 1st, 1940, the rooms were closed for the summer months. In June 1940, emergency calls were received from war-stricken Europe for supplies of clothing for Refugees who were fleeing to France and England, due to the oppression in Nazi-dominated territories. Owing to this extreme emergency, Hadassah again opened its rooms, this time in the Talmud Torah Hall on George Street. Since that time we have been operating steadily for four days each week.

We are indeed grateful to the Talmud Torah Board for allowing us the use of these rooms, rent free, and we know that the knowledge that they are assisting in War Work is a source of great satisfaction to them.

Every year the Junior Hadassah Chapters join together in one splendid effort in the form of a Gala Night at the Gatineau Country Club. All the proceeds from this endeavour are used for Hadassah's War Work, and the upkeep of our rooms is one of its main obligations.

Since June, 1940, we have been concentrating our efforts solely in making Refugee clothing. These have been made from our materials, all expenses being taken from our War funds. These supplies consist, for the greater part, in women's and children's dresses, bloomers, pyjamas, night gowns, and infant's layettes. The women who have undertaken to do the cutting, designing and sewing have been very diligent and conscientious, and a great deal of credit is due for their untiring efforts.

Recently a West End sewing group was organized, and we have had fine reports of their progress. We are expecting big things from these ladies during the summer months. If there are any ladies who would like to organize more of these groups, we would be more than happy to supply them with all supplies

and materials, and to co-operate with them in every way.

At this time we would like to thank all Hadassah workers for their splendid co-operation in the past year and a half, and may we express the hope that the coming season will see our efforts redoubled. The call for Refugee clothing is ever urgent, and our fighting forces are always in need of knitted garments.

Pearl Lepofsky, Anne Coplan,
Co-Chairmen

RABBI BENDER TO SPEAK

Rabbi Charles Bender of Outremont will be the guest speaker at the Public Examination of the Talmud Torah, to take place on Sunday, April 20th, 3.00 p.m. in the Talmud Torah Hall.

Passover for the Soldiers

If you can accommodate with some or all the Passover meals an out-of-town soldier or two, please telephone Miss Helen Abelson at 4-3264 and leave your name and address.

Similarly, if you happen to hear of any out-of-town soldier in this vicinity for whom no provision for the holiday has been made, please notify Mr. B. Goldfield at 2-3197 or Mr. S. Lepofsky at 2-8116.

The Ottawa Hebrew Sunday School will not hold classes on April 13, because of the holiday, nor on April 20, because the Osgoode School Building will be closed then. Classes will be resumed on April 27 until the closing sessions on May 18.

THE ONLY PESACH MILK!

The Vaad Ha-Kashruth of Ottawa has appointed Mashgichim to supervise Milk, Butter and Cream made by the Ottawa Dairy for Passover. (By special arrangement, other dairies may obtain these from the Ottawa Dairy for their customers.) ONLY the articles bearing the label of the Vaad Ha-Kashruth and the date 1941 are guaranteed Kosher for Pesach by the Rabbi.